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Art Unit: 1637

Appln. No. 09/830,652

In Re Application of: Akihiro KONDO

Examiner: S. CHUNDURU

Date Filed: April 30, 2001

Washington, D.C.

For: METHOD FOR DETECTING GENE AFFECTED BY ENDOCRINE DISRUPTOR

Atty.'s Docket: KONDO=7

OR

OR

Date: April 19, 2004

Confirmation No. 1863

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Customer Window, Mail Stop

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [X] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- No fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS		
TOTAL	* 2	MINUS	** 20	0		
INDEP.	* 2	MINUS	*** 3	0		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						

	SMALL ENTITY				
		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
	×	9	\$		
	х	43	\$		
_]	+	145	\$		
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL			\$		

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY RATE **ADDITIONAL** FEE 18 \$ 18.00 \$ 86 х 290 \$ TOTAL \$ 18.00

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Response Filed Within
[] First - \$ 110.00
[XX] Second - \$ 420.00
[} Third - \$ 950.00
[] Fourth - \$ 1480.00
Month After Time Period Set

_) already paid for ___ month(s) extension of time on

[XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$420.00.

[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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